



# WORKFORCE OBSERVATIONS — WISCONSIN'S FOX VALLEY

CALUMET, FOND DU LAC, GREEN LAKE, OUTAGAMIE, WAUSHARA, WAUPACA, WINNEBAGO

State of Wisconsin  
Department of Workforce Development

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## Monthly Unadjusted Unemployment Rates Decline in Wisconsin's Fox Valley Area

### Wisconsin Fox Valley Workforce Development Area Unadjusted Labor Force Data

	Appleton MSA	Fond du Lac MSA	Oshkosh- Neenah MSA	Calumet	Green Lake	Outagamie	Waupaca	Waushara	Fox Valley WDA	Non MSA's
<b>May 2005</b>										
Civilian Labor Force**	120,100	57,300	92,800	25,200	10,600	94,900	28,100	12,700	321,700	108,800
Employed	115,000	54,900	88,800	24,200	10,100	90,700	26,800	12,100	307,600	103,800
Unemployed	5,100	2,400	4,100	1,000	600	4,100	1,400	600	14,200	5,000
Unemployment Rate	4.3%	4.3%	4.4%	4.0%	5.2%	4.3%	4.9%	4.8%	4.4%	4.6%
<b>Change from one month ago</b>										
Civilian Labor Force**	-300	-100	-300	0	0	-300	0	200	-500	100
Employed	-100	0	-200	0	100	0	200	200	200	500
Unemployed	-200	-100	-200	0	-100	-200	-200	0	-700	-300
Unemployment rate(%)	-0.2%	-0.1%	-0.1%	0.0%	-0.6%	-0.3%	-0.6%	-0.3%	-0.2%	-0.3%
<b>Change from one year ago</b>										
Civilian Labor Force**	-6,300	800	-1,400	-1,200	-900	-5,100	-2,500	400	-9,800	-2,100
Employed	-6,100	900	-1,300	-1,300	-900	-4,800	-2,500	500	-9,400	-2,100
Unemployed	-200	0	-100	100	0	-300	0	-100	-400	-100
Unemployment rate(%)	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	0.3%	-0.1%	0.6%	-0.8%	0.0%	0.0%

May's seasonally unadjusted unemployment rate for the seven county Fox Valley Workforce Delivery Area declined 0.2 of a percentage point to 4.4 percent from April. The rate was unchanged from last May. The change in the monthly rate was very close to the long term average monthly change of 0.3 of a percentage point over the month. However, the long-term average for May at 3.8 percent remains below the current rate. This month's rate was the lowest for the month of May since 2000, when the rate was 2.5 percent.

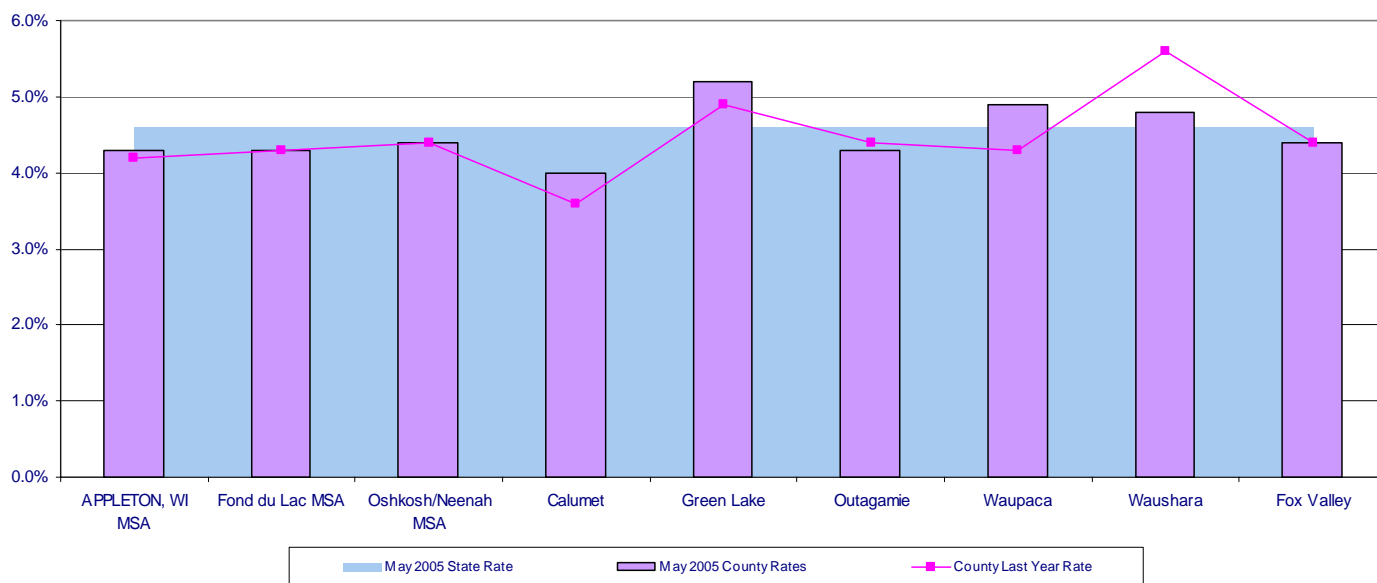
lowed general seasonal patterns this year. The normal pattern has the unemployment rate begin to decline in March, and continue to decline throughout the summer months into fall, with possibly the month of June being the exception when the largest number of new entrants enter the labor force, but often do not start employment until after our employment estimates are made. These are usually picked up in the July data. .

Calumet County was the only county in the Fox Valley that did not experience a decline in its monthly rate.

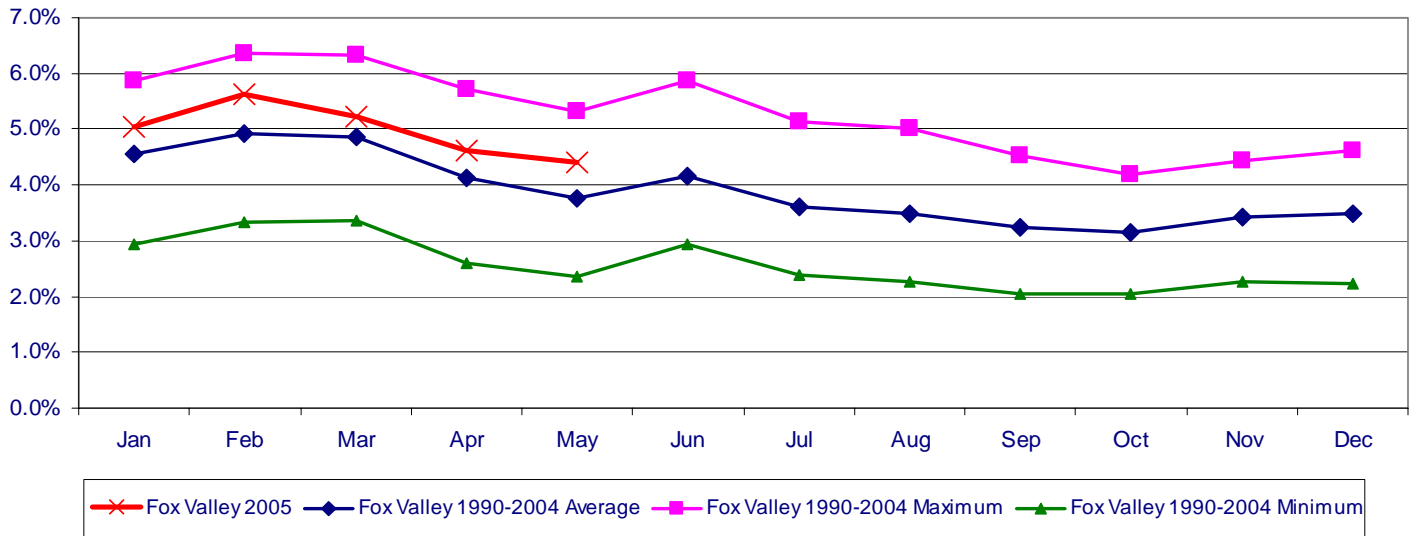
The decline in the region's unemployment rate has fol-

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### State and County Unadjusted Unemployment Rates



### Monthly Unemployment Rates - Highs, Lows, Average 1990 - 2004, Versus 2005



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Calumet County remained unchanged at 4.0 percent. The remaining six counties in the region all had a decrease in their unemployment rates. Waupaca and Green Lake Counties had the largest monthly drop, declining 0.6 of a percentage point each. Calumet County had the lowest unemployment rate at 4.0 percent, while Green Lake was the highest 5.2 percent. Two of the area's seven counties had lower unemployment rates this May compared to last year. They were Outagamie County, down 0.1 of a percentage point to 4.3 percent and Waushara County, down 0.8 of a percentage point to 4.8 percent.

All local area labor force statistics were revised for the months of January through May of this year and are included with the release of this month's data.

The number of workers in the area's labor force decreased 500 over the month to 321,700. This was 9,800 below last year. The number of employed increased 200 over the month to 307,600. The number of employed was 9,400 below one year ago. The number unemployed decreased 700 to 14,200.

Nonfarm wage and salary (NFWs) employment in the region rose 3,600 during May to 295,300. Over the last

twelve months, the number of jobs in the region was up 6,000. The majority of the increase in jobs was in the service providing industries, which make up nearly 72 percent of jobs in the region. Goods producing jobs, which includes manufacturing, mining (quarrying) and construction make up the remaining 28 percent of the jobs. Employment in the service providing industries was up 3,800, while goods producing industries saw an increase of 2,200 jobs over the year. Manufacturing employment, which is a subset of the goods producing industry group was up 1,500 jobs from May 2004.

### Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates

As of January, seasonally adjusted data is no longer available for sub-state levels. Statewide and national data will continue to have seasonally adjusted data.

The seasonally adjusted rate for the State of Wisconsin was up 0.2 of a percentage point to 4.7 percent. The United States' rate was unchanged at 5.4 percent.

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### Consumer Price Index - All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)\*

National (U. S. City Average.) 1982-84 = 100			% Change	Class B/C - North Central States (1996 = 100)			% Change	Class D - North Central States (1996 = 100)			% Change
U.S. City Average	May-05	Apr-05	May-04	(Size 50,000-1500,000)	May-05	Apr-05	May-04	(Size Less than 50,000)	May-05	Apr-05	May-04
All Items	194.4	194.6	2.8%	All Items	119.3	119.6	3.0%	All Items	181.6	181.7	2.5%
Food & Beverage	191.1	190.7	2.5%	Food & Beverage	117.5	117.4	2.4%	Food & Beverage	185.0	184.9	4.5%
Housing	194.5	194.4	3.0%	Housing	116.8	116.8	2.1%	Housing	170.3	170.0	1.5%
Apparel & Upkeep	122.4	123.7	-0.8%	Apparel & Upkeep	88.2	90.7	-0.5%	Apparel & Upkeep	129.9	128.0	-3.1%
Transportation	172.1	173.2	4.2%	Transportation	123.2	124.6	6.4%	Transportation	160.4	162.7	3.7%
Gasoline (all Types)	187.3	192.9	10.3%	Gasoline (all Types)	189.4	198.9	36.3%	Gasoline (all Types)	164.2	181.4	28.2%
Medical Care	322.2	321.5	4.3%	Medical Care	140.3	140.1	7.1%	Medical Care	322.3	320.4	5.3%
Energy	169.4	170.9	9.9%	Energy	161.4	165.0	18.5%	Energy	153.3	158.1	15.9%

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics \*Not Seasonally Adjusted

Wisconsin Fox Valley Workforce Development Area								
	Appleton		Oshkosh					
May 2005	MSA	Fond du Lac	MSA	Green Lake	Waupaca	Waushara	Fox Valley WDA	Wisconsin
<b>Total Nonfarm (NFWS) ***</b>	116,600	49,700	93,600	7,600	21,500	6,400	295,300	2,844,500
Total Private	105,000	43,600	80,500	6,600	17,400	4,900	257,900	2,421,600
Goods Producing	33,200	14,000	27,100	2,000	5,900	1,300	83,400	642,300
Service Producing	83,400	35,700	66,500	5,600	15,600	5,100	211,900	2,202,200
Constr., Mining & Nat.Rsrcs	8,900	3,200	3,900	500	900	300	17,800	139,000
Manufacturing	24,300	10,800	23,200	1,400	4,900	1,000	65,700	503,300
Trade	19,700	7,700	11,900	1,000	3,100	900	44,300	428,600
Transportation & Utilities	3,500	1,700	3,400	300	500	300	9,700	109,300
Financial Activities	6,500	1,800	3,900	300	700	200	13,400	157,700
Education and Health Services	11,900	6,900	10,400	1,100	2,800	700	33,800	384,400
Leisure & Hospitality	11,500	4,700	6,800	900	2,200	800	26,800	262,000
Info., Prof. & Bus. Svcs, Other Svcs	18,700	6,800	17,000	1,100	2,300	600	46,500	437,300
Total Government	11,600	6,100	13,100	1,000	4,100	1,500	37,400	422,900
Federal	500	300	600	100	100	100	1,700	29,100
State	300	700	5,300	0	900	400	7,600	104,900
Local	10,800	5,100	7,200	900	3,000	1,100	28,100	288,900
<b>Change from one month ago</b>	<b>April 2005</b>							
<b>Total Nonfarm (NFWS) ***</b>	1,200	500	1,100	200	400	200	3,600	37,200
Percent change NFWS from last month	1.0%	1.0%	1.2%	2.7%	1.8%	2.9%	1.2%	1.3%
Total Private	1,200	400	1,000	220	370	170	3,400	37,300
Goods Producing	800	100	300	70	130	20	1,400	14,500
Service Producing	400	400	800	120	250	160	2,100	22,700
Constr., Mining & Nat.Rsrcs	400	200	300	60	70	20	1,000	9,400
Manufacturing	400	-100	0	10	60	0	400	5,100
Trade	0	0	200	40	80	40	400	3,700
Transportation & Utilities	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	1,200
Financial Activities	100	0	100	0	0	10	200	400
Education and Health Services	0	200	0	-10	10	20	200	1,400
Leisure & Hospitality	400	100	300	100	200	100	1,100	14,700
Info., Prof. & Bus. Svcs, Other Svcs	-100	0	100	-10	-20	20	0	1,400
Total Government	0	100	100	-20	10	10	200	-100
Federal	0	0	100	0	0	0	100	0
State	0	100	0	0	20	0	100	-600
Local	0	0	0	-20	-10	10	0	500
<b>Change from one year ago</b>	<b>May 2004</b>							
<b>Total Nonfarm (NFWS) ***</b>	1,100	1,700	3,100	-100	0	200	6,000	27,000
Percent change NFWS from last year	1.0%	3.5%	3.4%	-1.7%	-0.1%	3.8%	2.1%	1.0%
Total Private	900	1,600	2,700	-30	-50	210	5,300	26,300
Goods Producing	700	600	800	20	-80	120	2,200	8,300
Service Producing	400	1,100	2,300	-150	70	110	3,800	18,700
Constr., Mining & Nat.Rsrcs	200	300	100	10	20	20	600	5,400
Manufacturing	500	300	700	10	-90	110	1,500	2,900
Trade	500	200	800	-10	60	20	1,600	-1,000
Transportation & Utilities	-100	-100	-100	10	0	20	-300	1,500
Financial Activities	-400	0	0	10	10	10	-400	-500
Education and Health Services	200	700	300	-30	-10	10	1,200	10,000
Leisure & Hospitality	600	100	100	-40	30	30	800	5,700
Info., Prof. & Bus. Svcs, Other Svcs	-600	100	800	20	-50	0	300	2,300
Total Government	200	100	400	-110	40	20	600	700
Federal	0	100	100	-10	0	0	200	-200
State	0	0	200	0	20	20	200	2,100
Local	200	0	100	-100	20	0	200	-1,200
* Seven counties, excluding La Crosse County ** Includes participants residing in area. *** Includes employment with employers located in area. Estimates are NOT seasonally adjusted. Current month estimates are preliminary. Totals may not add due to rounding. Calculations based on unrounded numbers. NFWS data is benchmarked to 3/2002								

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